



**Board of Commissioners of Cook County  
Minutes of the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation**

**Tuesday, May 15, 2018**

**12:00 PM**

**Cook County Building, Board Room  
118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois**

**ATTENDANCE**

**Present:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

1. George Blakemore

[18-3738](#)

**Sponsored by:** Board of Commissioners, Cook County Board Of Commissioners

**COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 4/24/2018

**A motion was made by Commissioner Schneider, seconded by Vice Chairman Fritchey, to approve 18-3738. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (6)

**Absent:** Gainer (1)

[18-3548](#)

**CASE DISPOSITION SUMMARY REPORT**

*Civil Rights Section*

*4/11/2018 - 5/7/2018*

**A motion was made by Commissioner Boykin, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, to receive and file 18-3548. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (6)

**Absent:** Gainer (1)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Schneider, seconded by Commissioner Tobolski, to convene executive session. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Vice Chairman Fritchey to return to regular session. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

[18-3547](#)

**Presented by:** KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**SPECIAL STATE'S ATTORNEY'S INVOICES FOR APPROVAL**

*Timothy C. Evans, et al. v. County of Cook, et al.*

Case No: 17 CH 15851

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney James P. Fieweger and the firm  
of Michael Best & Friedrich, LLP.

**Tab Item No. 1**

*Administration of the Electronic Monitoring Program, and  
Taphia Williams v. Cook County, et al.*

Case No. 18 C 1456

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Richard Gleason and  
the firm of O'Mara Gleason O'Callaghan, LLC.

**Tab Item No. 2**

*Stewart Title Guaranty Company v. Nicholas Grapsas, et al.*

Case No. 2015 L 4520 and 2012 P 3203

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney John H. Scheid, Jr. and the  
firm of Pretzel & Stouffer, Chartered.

**Tab Item No. 3**

*Crystal Brown, et al. v. Cook County, et al.*

Case No. 17 C 8085

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Christopher M. Cascino and the  
firm of Seyfarth Shaw, LLP.

**Tab Item No. 4**

*Brown v. Cook County, et al.*

Case No. 17 C 8085

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Michael W. Condon and the firm  
of Hervas, Condon & Bersani, P.C.

**Tab Item No. 5**

*Brown, et al. v. Cook County, et al.*

*Howard, et al. v. Cook County, et al.*

*Wilson, et al. v. Cook County, et al.*

*EEOC Charges - Assistant Public Defenders, Class Action*

*Caloca, et al. v. Cook County, et al.*

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Christina M. Egan and  
the firm of McGuire Woods, LLP.

**Tab Item No. 6**

*Bless v. Cook County, et al.*

Case No. 13 C 4271

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Burton S. Odelson and  
the firm of Odelson Sterk, LTD.

**Tab Item No. 7**

*Shakman v. Cook County Recorder of Deeds, et al.*

Case No. 69 C 2145

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Burton S. Odelson and  
the firm of Odelson Sterk, LTD.

**Tab Item No. 8**

*Hartison v. Sheriff of Cook County.*

Case No.18 CH 2669

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm  
of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC.

**Tab Item No. 9**

*Rucker v. Dart, et al. and Lynon v. Cook County, et al.*

Case No. 17 C 1987, 16 C 11719

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm  
of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC.

**Tab Item No. 10**

*Patricia Hicks v. Cook County Sheriff's Office, et al.*

*Jasmin McBride and Lorenzo Smith v. Cook County  
Sheriff's Office, et al.*

Case No. 15 C 6852 and 17 C 4951

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm  
of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC.

**Tab Item No. 11**

*Marva Crowder v. Servant Cook Sheriff, et al.*

Case No. 17 C 3050

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm  
of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC.

**Tab Item No. 12**

*Percy Taylor v. Sheriff Dart, et al.*

Case No. 13 C 1856, 13 C 6512, 15 C 5919

Case No. 14 L 6617

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney John J. Rock and the firm  
of Rock, Fusco & Connelly, LLC.

**Tab Item No. 13**

*In Re: Level Assessment Litigation*

Case Nos. 2004 Tax Obj. No. 05 COTO 3938

2005 Tax Obj. No. 07 COTO 1618

2006 Tax Obj. No. 07 COTO 0779

2007 Tax Obj. No. 08 COTO 5700

2008 Tax Obj. No. 09 COTO 6258

Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Steven M. Puiszis and the

firm of Hinshaw & Culbertson, LLP.

**Tab Item No. 14**

*Chicago Tribune Company v. Cook County Assessor's Office*

Case No: 16 CH 4992

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Steven M. Puiszis and  
the firm of Hinshaw & Culbertson, LLP.

**Tab Item No. 15**

*Lanahan v. Blanchard, et al.*

Case No: 69 C 2145, 17 C 5688

In Re: Reimbursement of Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Robert T. Shannon and the  
firm of Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP.

**Tab Item No.16**

*Shakman v. Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County*

Case No: 69 C 2145

In Re: Reimbursement of Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Jeffrey S. Fowler and the  
firm of Laner Muchin, LTD.

**Tab Item No.17**

*Maria Milbrant, et al. v. Dorothy Brown, et al.*

Case No: 69 C 2145, 17 C 5688

In Re: Reimbursement of Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Jeffrey S. Fowler and the  
firm of Laner Muchin, LTD.

**Tab Item No.18**

*Hernandez v. Cook County Sheriff's Department, et al.*

Case No: 07 C 855

In Re: Review of Attorney Fees and Expenses for  
Special State's Attorney Terrence F. Guolee and  
the Firm of Querrey & Harrow, LTD.

**Tab Item No. 19**

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, to

**approve 18-3547. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

[18-3594](#)

**Presented by:** KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING**

**Department:** State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

**Request:** Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

**Case Name:** White, Michael v. Dart et al.

**Case Number:** 17 C 5162

**A motion was made by Commissioner Schneider, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney on 18-3594. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

[18-3643](#)

**Presented by:** KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING**

**Department:** State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

**Request:** Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

**Case Name:** Path Construction Company, Inc. et al. v. The County of Cook, et al..

**Case Number:** 14 CH 16921, et al.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Schneider, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, to concur with the recommendation of the State's Attorney on 18-3643. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

[18-3466](#)

**Presented by:** KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING**

**Department:** State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

**Request:** Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

**Case Name:** *Timothy C. Evans, et al. v. County of Cook, et al.*

**Case Number:** 17 CH 15851

**A motion was made by Commissioner Schneider, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, to receive and file 18-3466. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

[18-3619](#)

**Presented by:** KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING**

**Department:** State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

**Request:** Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

**Case Name:** *Percy Taylor v. Thomas J. Dart, et al.*

**Case Number:** 13 CH 26319

**A motion was made by Commissioner Schneider, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, to receive and file 18-3619. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

[18-3620](#)

**Presented by:** KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING**

**Department:** State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

**Request:** Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

**Case Name:** *Cook County v. Opioid Manufacturers*

**Case Number:** 17 L 13180

**A motion was made by Commissioner Schneider, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, to receive and file 18-3620. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

[18-3624](#)

**Presented by:** KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING**

**Department:** State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

**Request:** Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

**Case Name:** *Cook County v. USI*

**Case Number:** 12 L 2765

**A motion was made by Commissioner Schneider, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, to receive and file 18-3624. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

[18-3628](#)

**Presented by:** KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING**

**Department:** State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

**Request:** Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation



**Case Name:** Wilson v. County of Cook, Guns Save Lives, Inc. v. Ali, and Solomon v. Foxx, Dart, et al.

**Case Number:** 17 C 7000, 17 C 6144, 15 CH 18217

**A motion was made by Commissioner Schneider, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, to receive and file 18-3628. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

[18-3632](#)

**Presented by:** KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING**

**Department:** State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

**Request:** Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

**Case Name:** *Backpage.com v. Tom Dart*

**Case Number:** 15 C 6340

**A motion was made by Commissioner Schneider, seconded by Commissioner Boykin, to receive and file 18-3632. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

[18-3638](#)

**Presented by:** KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING**

**Department:** State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

**Request:** Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

**Case Name:** *Jaramillo, Maria (Est. DeAngelo Hercules Villa) v. Cook County, et al. .*

**Case Number:** 15 L 1267

A motion was made by Commissioner Schneider, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, to receive and file 18-3638. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

18-3642

Presented by: KIMBERLY M. FOXX, Cook County State's Attorney

**PROPOSED LITIGATION PENDING**

Department: State's Attorney's Office, Civil Actions Bureau

Request: Refer to the Board and/or the Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

Case Name: Legal Representation

Case Number: N/A

A motion was made by Commissioner Schneider, seconded by Commissioner Suffredin, to receive and file 18-3642. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Commissioner Schneider, seconded by Commissioner Boykin to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Silvestri, Fritchey, Boykin, Gainer, Schneider, Suffredin and Tobolski (7)

Respectfully submitted,



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Chairman



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Secretary

A video recording of this meeting is available at <https://cook-county.legistar.com>.